FAIL CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday Worship: 9:30 AM & 6:00 PM

EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD EXPRESS GOD'S LOVE EQUIP GOD'S PEOPLE

God's Invitation Gathers Us

Welcome & God's Greeting
"How Great Thou Art"
#21 (WC)

God's Grace Claims Us

Congregational Prayer
Children's Blessing & Dismissal
"Speak, O Lord"
#755 (LH)
Offering: Bethshan Association

God's Word Speaks to Us

Prayer

Deuteronomy 5:1-4, Hebrews 8:7-13

p. 177, p. 1189

(Covenant) Love

Prayer

God's Grace Renews Us

"The Solid Rock"
#517:1,3,4 (WC)
Celebration of Communion
Benevolence Offering
"God Be with You Till We Meet Again"
#943:1-3 (LH)

God's Blessing Equips Us

Benediction "God Be with You Till We Meet Again" #943:4 (LH)

Leading us in Worship

Worship Leader & Sermon:

Pastor Matthew Lanser Donna Erdman, Jan Slinkman

Welcome & God's Greeting

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" #539 (WC)

Responsive Reading
Psalm 113
Leader: Odd Verses, People: Even Verses
p. 604

Prayer

Offering: Providence Life Services

1 John 2:7-17 pp. 1207-1208

Complete Love

"Lord, Teach Us How to Pray Aright" #628:1-2 (WC)

Blessing

"Lord, Teach Us How to Pray Aright" #628:4 (WC)

Leading us in Worship

Worship Leader & Sermon:

Pastor George Tan Chris Tang

| Sermon Notes | | | | |
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This Sunday

Sunday morning, we're going to focus on God's (Covenant) Love as we read Deuteronomy 5:1-4 and Hebrews 8:7-13. During this service, we'll also celebrate the Lord's Supper. If you believe in Jesus Christ as your personal Savior and are an adult member of a Bible-believing church, we welcome you to join us. The center two rings of each tray have grape juice if you would prefer to partake of that rather than wine. A gluten free option will be available in the middle of the bread trays.

Sunday Evening we're continuing our "Live in the Light" series with 1 John 2:7-17.

Upcoming Worship

| Morning | | Evening | | |
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| Feb 4: | Matthew Lanser | Feb 4: | George Tan | |
| Feb 11: | Matthew Lanser – Cadet Sunday | Feb 11: | George Tan | |
| Feb 18: | Matthew Lanser | Feb 18: | Matthew Lanser | |

Next week we'll be reading Deuteronomy 5:1-6 and Romans 6:1-10 during the morning service. In the evening, we'll reflect on 1 John 2:18-27. We'll also be celebrating the baptism of Charlotte Mae Plate.

Offering Schedule

| Morning | | Evening | | |
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| Feb 4: Faith Promis | e Missions | Feb 4: | Crossroads Ministry | |
| Feb 11: Cadets Inter | national | Feb 11: | Love, Inc. | |
| Feb 18: Christian Edu | ucation Fund | Feh 18· | Rev. Ion Hoekema | |

Need support? If you are experiencing financial hardship, please reach out to your district deacon (the office can get you connected.) They are eager to do what they can.

Prayer Requests

Need prayer? If you have prayer needs, please contact your district elder or one of the pastors. Send prayer requests at any time to prayer@faithelmhurst.org.

Praise & Thanksgiving

Happy February Birthday to Andrew Venhousen (Feb 1), Mark Teune (Feb 4), Jim Brouwer (Feb 6), Jan Slinkman (Feb 12), Ken Wiltjer (Feb 13), Carole Wieringa (Feb 18), Elaine Warnke (Feb 21), Chuck Erdman (Feb 25), Jayne Lindemulder (Feb 25), and Mary Baas (Feb 27).

At their request, the memberships of **Jim and Janell Allen** have been transferred to Orland Park CRC in Orland Park, IL. We wish them God's blessings in their new church home.

The elders were happy to receive the memberships of **Ben and Whitney Ribbens** and baptized sons, **Theodore and Simon**, from Elmhurst CRC. Ben and Whitney have been worshipping with us for a while and are already getting involved at Faith. Welcome!

Please update your records to reflect an address change for **Sandy Sterken** to 792 Inland Circle, Apt 101, Naperville, IL 60563.

Announcements

Congregational Meeting Today: Shortly after morning worship we will hold a congregational meeting in the sanctuary. The Pastoral Search Team and Council have decided not to extend a call to Pastor Jeremy Oosterhouse for the Pastor of Outreach and Spiritual Growth position. We will provide some perspective and next steps at the congregational meeting.

Pastor Matthew will be out of the office this evening through Wednesday morning. If you need care please contact your district elder or deacon, Pastor Dave, Dirk or the office.

The Word of Christ in Us: For the next few months, we're going to have suggested Scripture verses for us to memorize together as a church. We'll have one set of verses per month, in connection with our sermon themes. We'll begin each service by saying these verses together, and we'll have a bookmark or other printed item to help you memorize the verses. Our goal in this is to take one simple step toward having the Word of Christ dwell among us more richly (Colossians 3:16). Our February text will be Deuteronomy 6:4-9 "Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates."

Sisters & Snacks: All women are invited to join us on Thursday, Feb 1 from 7:00-8:30 PM. We would love to spend a little time with you! We'll continue our work to develop each of the virtues of the fruit of the Spirit with a focus on Patience. " Wait for the Lord; be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord." Psalm 27:14

Kingdom and Identity Course: Christians often talk about the Kingdom of God and their Christian identity. But what is the Kingdom of God? And how does it shape our identity? Our worship services this spring are probing these questions, and in February Dr. Ben Ribbens will teach a three-session course on "Kingdom and Identity" to help us root these questions in the Bible's grand story of creation and new creation. Ben will explore how creation and new creation give us a vision for what God is doing in the world and how we are called to participate in God's redemptive work in every part of our lives. We'll meet in the sanctuary from 10:45-11:30 on Sundays, February 4, 11, and 25.

Donuts & Dominoes: Seniors, save the date for our next Our Place Event. The Forge & Gathering Youth Groups will be hosting Donuts & Dominoes on Saturday, February 3. Fliers are in your mailboxes!

District 5 Get-Together: If you're in District 5 (Elder Jon Rauwerda, Deacon Peter Groenewold) and received an invitation in your lobby mailbox, join us next Sunday, February 4 in Room 1-3 for your District Get-Together. Hope to see you there!

VBS:2024: Planning is underway for Vacation Bible School 2024! If you are interested in helping this year (June 4-7), sign up at the Registration Counter or online at faithelmhurst.org/vbs.

Youth Announcements

Sunday School & Faith Foundations: Meet this morning. 1st – 5th Grade in the South hall, Middle & High School in the North hall.

The Gathering (HS Youth Group): Meets tonight! Join us at 7PM for dinner, fellowship and games. Questions? email thegathering@faithelmhurst.org.

Donuts & Dominoes: Middle & High school students are invited to attend this intergenerational morning of games, treats and fun. February 3, 8:30 – 10AM.

Jr. Cadets (1st – 3rd Grade Boys): Meets on Tuesday, February 6 at 6:30PM. Questions? Email cadets@faithelmhurst.org.

Cadets (4^{th} – 8^{th} Grade Boys) meet on Wednesday, February 7 at 7PM. Cadet Sunday is Sunday, February 11.

GEMS (1st – **8**th **Grade Girls):** Meets again on February 14 at 6:30PM. Email gems@faithelmhurst.org if you have any questions.

The Forge (MS Youth Group): Meets next on Sunday, February 18. Questions? email theforge@faithelmhurst.org.

Profession of Faith Class: High school students who are interested in taking this next step in their faith journey are invited to contact Pastor Matthew to sign up. The class will meet on Sundays, February 18 and 25, from 3:30 - 5PM.

VBS:2024: Save the Date! Vacation Bible School is Tuesday, June 4 – Friday, June 7, 9:00 – 11:00AM daily. Registration opens March 1 at faithelmhurst.org/vbs.

The Gathering after school hang outs are every Wednesday and Thursday! Meet at the parsonage next to church right after school until 5:00 PM. Contact Dirk Glaubke with any questions. Hope to see you there!

Community Announcements

Calvin January Series: It's the final week - January 22 - February 2, 11:30 AM-12:30 PM in the Garden Room at Elmhurst Christian Reformed Church (149 W. Brush Hill Rd, Elmhurst). A full list of speakers, topics, and listening options at calvin.edu/january-series. Free event. Lunch on Thu, Feb 1 for PrimeTime 55+.

Men of A-Chord: Everyone is invited to a Winter Hymn Sing at The Western Springs Christian Reformed Church (5140 Wolf Road) led by The Men of A-Chord on Sunday, February 18, at 5:00 pm. The Men of A-Chord has been singing God's praises to local churches, retirement homes and high schools for 70 years. A free will offering will be accepted. Refreshments will be served after the hymn sing. Don't miss this night of worship and fellowship!

Roseland Christian Ministries invites you on February 24, 3-6PM to ROW 24 in Chicago. Learn how you can Walk with Us as we continue to love our neighbors in Roseland. A silent auction and raffle will be a highlight of the evening. Purchase tickets at roselandchristianministries.yapsody.com. Call 773.264.5665 for more information.

Timothy Christian High School is hiring a full-time Entrepreneurship Program Coordinator. For more information, email lee@timothychristian.com.

The Caring Network: In order to continue meeting the needs of women facing unplanned pregnancies, Caring Network is urgently seeking Nurses (RN's), or sonography technicians (RDMS) in Du Page county. We have full-time and part-time positions. We will train nurses in ultrasound skills. Please email your resume to jill@caringnetwork.com or go to our website: caringnetwork.com/careers

Serving Faith Church

Audio Visual: Logan VanProyen, Joy Hoving, Jon Veurink

Next Week: Chris Slinkman, Matt Huizinga, Bob Flikkema (Ethan Lindemulder)

PM Audio Visual: Len Turnbull

Next Week: David Egan Security Host: John Tazelaar Next Week: Jon Veurink

January Greeters: Jim Engel, John Tazelaar, Len Turnbull

February Greeters: Jon Rauwerda, Doug Slinkman, Bill Hoving

Refreshments: pending

Next Week: Ray and Susan Middel

Sunday School: Mindy Slinkman, Julie Speelman, Kathy Miedema, Beth Voss,

Heidi Folkerts, Rachel DeNazarie

Next Week: Mindy Slinkman, Laura Lanser, Kathy Miedema, Beth Voss, Heidi

Folkerts, Rachel DeNazarie

Children's Church: Mary Baas, Jenny Lumkes, Will Hoving

Next Week: Ev Wieringa, Sue Weglarz, Izzy David

Nursery: Julie Speelman, Nicole Huizinga, Andrew Slinkman **Next Week:** Mindy Slinkman, Joy Koopmans, Virginia Miedema

This Week at Faith

Sunday, January 28

Men's Bible Reading Fellowship | 8:30 AM | Room 4/5

Pre-Worship Prayer Time | 9:10 AM | Room 1

Morning Worship | 9:30 AM | faithelmhurst.org

Congregational Meeting | 10:45 AM | Sanctuary

Sunday School (1st - 5th) | 10:45 AM | South hallway

MS & HS Faith Foundations | 10:45 AM | North hallway

Sermon Discussion Group | 10:45 AM | Room 4/5

Evening Worship | 6:00 PM | Sanctuary

The Gathering (HS Youth Group) | 7:00 PM | Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, January 31

The Gathering Gathering | 3:15 – 5:00 PM | Prospect Parsonage

Thursday, February 1

Women's Bible Study | 9:00 AM | Library

The Gathering | 3:15 – 5:00 PM | Prospect Parsonage

Sisters & Snacks | 7:00 PM | Fellowship Hall

Friday, February 2

Men's Bible Study | 6:30 AM | Library

Saturday, February 3

Men's Morning Prayer Group | 7:00 AM | Library

Dobuts & Dominoes | 8:30 AM | Fellowship Hall

Sunday, February 4

Men's Bible Reading Fellowship | 8:30 AM | Room 4/5

Pre-Worship Prayer Time | 9:10 AM | Room 1

Morning Worship | 9:30 AM | faithelmhurst.org

Kingdom & Identity w/ Dr. Ben Ribbens | 10:45 AM | Sanctuary

District 5 Get-Together | 10:45 AM | Room 1-3

Sunday School (1st - 5th) | 10:45 AM | South hallway

MS & HS Faith Foundations | 10:45 AM | West hallway

Sermon Discussion Group | 10:45 AM | Room 4/5

Evening Worship | 6:00 PM | Sanctuary

The Gathering (HS Youth Group) | 7:00 PM | Fellowship Hall

February Memory Verse

"Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates."

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Welcome to Faith CRC

"I rejoiced with those who said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the Lord."" Psalm 122:1

NEW TO FAITH? As you exit the sanctuary please visit our Welcome Center to learn more about our church and its ministries. We would like to get to know you so please fill out the form, tear it off and put it in the offering plate or hand it to a pastor or elder who will be greeting at every exit.

FOR BABIES AND MOMS: a mother's room is available in the south wing so moms can care for their babies in private. **Nursery** care is provided for children under the age of 3, also in the south wing. CHILDREN'S CHURCH (ages 3-5) during dismissed the service and SUNDAY SCHOOL (Grades 1-5) and CATECHISM (Grades 6-12) meet after morning worship.

If you have any questions or need directions, please ask a greeter or usher, they would be pleased to help you.

May the Lord bless your time of worship with us.